

Public Notice – Proposed Environmental Decision

DATE OF THIS NOTICE: August 2, 2017

PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE: The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is announcing its proposed decision under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended (RCRA), for the former Emerson Electric Corporation – Lots 1 and 3 (Facility), in Wytheville, Virginia. VDEQ has determined that further corrective action and controls are necessary. DEQ's proposed decision requires the Facility to perform an In-Situ injection to treat groundwater, perform long term groundwater monitoring, and maintain certain property mechanisms known as Institutional Controls (ICs).

FACILITY DESCRIPTION: The Facility is located at 555 Peppers Ferry Road (Lots 1 and 3 only), Wytheville, Virginia. The Emerson Electric Corporation operated on the site as an industrial valve manufacturing facility from 1974 to 2001. The Facility entered into a Facility Lead Agreement with the EPA in 2008 for investigation and cleanup of the Facility. DEQ has reviewed all available Facility data and has determined that further actions to remediate soil and groundwater, also known as corrective measures, are necessary to protect human health and the environment given current and reasonably anticipated future land use for Lots 1 and 3.

INFORMATION AVAILABILITY: Information regarding DEQ's proposed decision is available on DEQ's website at www.deq.state.va.us/Programs/LandProtectionRevitalization/PublicNotices.aspx. The Administrative Record, which contains all the information considered in DEQ's proposed decision, is available at Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Central Office, 629 East Main Street, Richmond, VA, 23219. Office hours are: Mon-Fri, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. For additional information, contact Ryan Kelly, Project Manager, at DEQ's address listed above; Phone: 804-698-4045; Fax: 804-698-4234, or Email: ryan.kelly@deq.virginia.gov.

COMMENT PROCESS: Persons wishing to comment on DEQ's proposed decision must submit comments to DEQ within the 30 day comment period ending September 1, 2017. Interested persons may also request a public meeting on this proposed decision. All comments and/or requests for a meeting must be submitted in writing via mail, fax, or email to the DEQ Project Manager, Ryan Kelly, as listed above, and must be received prior to September 1, 2017. All comments will be considered in making a final decision.

FINAL DECISION: DEQ will make a final decision after considering all comments, consistent with applicable RCRA requirements and regulations. If the decision is substantially unchanged from the one in this notice, DEQ will issue a final decision and inform all persons who submitted written comments or requested notice of DEQ's final determination. If the final decision is significantly different from the one proposed, DEQ will issue a public notice explaining the new decision and will reopen the comment period.